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Leuna Works

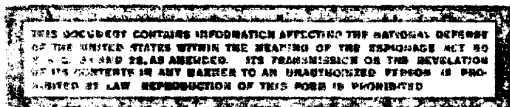
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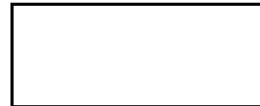
The following items show the yearly production of some of the materials produced by the Leuna works and their destination points.

1. Isobutyl alcohol - 3,200 tons; of this amount 3,000 tons are delivered to Russia.
2. Contacts (Kontakte) - 30 to 50 tons; delivered to the Braunkohlen-Synthese works in Boehlen, Zeitz, Schwarzheide; also to the Stalin plant in Bruck, Czechoslovakia, and to Russia.
3. Lactan or Luran (a nylon base) - 2,700 tons; 400 tons are exported. As the domestic market price (10,000 DME for one ton) is too high for the export market, the export price will probably be lowered to between 6,000 to 7,000 DME a ton.
4. Phenol - 1,200 to 1,500 tons; 650 tons are delivered to Russia.
5. Cresol - 9,000 tons; 9,750 tons are delivered to Elektrochemisches Kombinat Bitterfeld. Cresol is used chiefly as a softener in manufacturing Igelit. 250 tons of Cresol are exported to Western countries.
6. Ortho-Cresol - 800 tons; approximately one-third of it is exported to Western countries.
7. Kogasin, delivered by Schwarzheide, is hydrogenated to Mepasin in the Leuna works; 14,000 tons are produced yearly. One-third of it is delivered to Wolfen and 6,000 tons are processed into Mersolat and to Emulgator 30, producing 12,000 tons.
8. Kaurit glue - 2,000 tons. This material is not being exported, as the competition from a West German plant in Ludwigshafen is too great.

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- o Varnish - 3,000 tons; of this amount 1,000 to 1,200 tons is processed into Iso-Perlon-Lack.
- 10. The production of carbonyl iron dust is still under development; it is urgently needed by the high frequency industry. The cost is 34 DME for one kilogram; the planned yearly production is 50 tons.
- 11. The 1953 production program allotted to the Leuna works is 30,000 tons of ammonium sulphate for barter transactions. This material is to be used for procuring tubes, heavy and thin plate as well as "V2A" materials and electric motors. The contracting party is the Sternler-Inex firm; business is conducted through its representative Finger (fnu), Frankfurt/Main. The domestic market price for ammonium sulphate is 504 DME a ton; the export price is 350 DME a ton less than the domestic price.
- 12. 60 technical experts of the Leuna works were forced to work in Russia; of these, at least 50 percent have returned again to East Germany. It is reported that the following persons are still in Russia:
  - Dr. Gericke oil expert
  - Dr. Loewenberg expert of synthetic production
  - Dr. Asinger heavy water specialist
  - Heroldt professor; it is reported that he has died.
- 13. Group leader Huetter (fnu) is employed in the State Secretariat for Chemistry; he belongs to no political party.

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